## **NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

# Route 31 Pennington Circle Hopewell Township, Mercer County

Pre-Construction Public Information Center Monday, June 29, 2015 from 4:30 – 7:30 PM

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), committed to developing transportation improvements that best balance transportation needs, the environment, community concerns and cost, will hold a **Public Information Center** to inform the various stakeholders of the **proposed plan for the Route 31 Pennington Circle Project in Hopewell**. You are encouraged to actively participate by providing comments at the meeting, by mail, or by e-mail.

#### The Meeting

The Public Information Center will be held at the Hopewell Township Municipal Building, 201 Washington Crossing-Pennington Road, Hopewell on Monday, June 29, 2015 from 4:30 – 7:30 PM. Please plan to attend at a time that is convenient for you. You will have an opportunity to review exhibits, ask questions, and discuss issues with NJDOT staff and our design consultant.

## **Background**

Analysis of traffic operations and crash history indicate that operational and safety issues currently exist at the Pennington Circle. Queuing during the peak hours was observed at the Route 31 northbound yield with Route 31 southbound and on the County Route (CR) 640 approach to the circle. Additionally, numerous Same Direction — Rear End crashes were reported on the CR 546 eastbound and westbound approaches to the circle.

#### **Proposed Project**

The purpose of the Route 31 Pennington Circle project is to improve traffic operations and safety within the Pennington Circle and along the circle approaches.

Proposed improvements include the following:

- Striping improvements to better delineate lane use within the circle.
- Improved advanced signing and signing within the circle.
- Two traffic metering signals to provide more gaps for traffic entering the circle: one north of the circle, and one south of the circle.
- Truck aprons at the north and south ends of the circle.
- Pavement within the project limits will be milled and resurfaced.
- Drainage improvements to reduce the flow onto the travel lanes.
- Upgrading existing guide rail to current standards.

#### **Traffic Impacts**

- Anticipated traffic impacts include shoulder closings, temporary lane closures, and moving operations.
- No detours will be necessary.
- Construction is expected to be substantially complete by October 2015.

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